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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF, SPECIAL FUNDS SECTION *Proceed*

1. Reference is made to your memorandum to this office, dated 18 December 1946, in which you request immediate action concerning two situations. The first of these concerns CIE Administrative Order No. 42, paragraph 2. This paragraph states in effect that the per diem allowance described in Budget Circular A-7 may be authorized by the persons to whom authority to issue travel orders has been granted. The Order further states that such persons include Chiefs of Missions, Executive for Personnel and Administration, Chief, Finance Division, and Chief, Fiscal Section. You state that this limitation on the persons authorized to issue travel orders and therefore per diem is not in conformity with actual S.O. administrative and operating procedures.

2. A proposed Delegation of Authority has been prepared and approved by the ADSO and the Executive for Personnel and Administration. This Delegation of Authority, to be signed by the Director, authorizes the ADSO and the Executive Officer, S.O., to (a) Transfer civilian employees from one official station to another, and the payment or reimbursement of all expenses incident thereto, including travel and the transportation of household goods, personal effects and dependents of such employees; (b) Authorize the payment of quarters and cost of living allowances; (c) Approve temporary duty travel, including travel from and to overseas posts; (d) Approve travel performed by civilian employees on account of an emergency or without prior authority; and (e) Approve travel by civilian employees incident to their change of official station. In view of the above Delegations of Authority, it would appear that your questions concerning security and adequate provisions for authorization for travel of S.O. personnel are answered thereby.

3. The second matter is concerned with the New York Security Project and the payment of travel expenses to investigators employed in the Project. As you are aware, this matter is the subject of a memorandum from the Executive for P&A to the Director. Therefore, there appears to be no action necessary by either this office or your office.

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